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1. The Borisov (54°12'N/28°31'E) airfield, Belorussian SSR, is located north of the old town, about 6 km north of the highway and 1,000 meters east of the Berezina River. The field, which bordered on a woods to the west, measured about 1,500 meters from north to south and was about 1,000 meters wide. The landing field was covered with turf. The field had no installations.
2. A few biplanes were stationed at the field. Individual parachute jumps over the field were made by civilians.
3. Parachute training was continually observed west of Borisov, about 1 to 5 km from the hospital. This training was intensified in early morning hours and toward evening. Individual parachute jumps were also noticed when it was almost dark. Most of the jumps were made from twin-engine planes, but the parachutists sometimes jumped from biplanes. This training was not suspended during bad or cold weather. The parachutists jumped from altitudes from 1,200 to 1,500 meters. Up to 16 men would jump from one plane. First a small parachute opened, while a second larger parachute would open only 100 to 200 meters above ground. It was noticed that the parachutist who jumped first allowed himself to drop below the 100-meter limit before opening the large parachute. It was frequently observed that one such skilled parachutist who descended faster than the others was among a group of eight to ten men. Mass jumps and the dropping of materiel were not observed. According to Soviets, the parachutists were trained for a period of three months.

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